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TAGS: PHUM, UNHRC, EUN

SUBJECT: US/EU HUMAN RIGHTS CONSULTATIONS: PREPPING FOR CHR

Classified By: USEU/POL Harry O'Hara, reasons 1.4 b/d.

1. (SBU) Summary: US and EU officials met in Brussels February 3 in regularly scheduled human rights consultations (COHOM) to prepare for the spring UN Commission on Human Rights (CHR), and to review the human rights situation in China and Iran. Also discussed were the Global War on Terrorism (GWOT) and promoting human rights, anti-Semitism in Europe, the UN high-level panel (HLP) report, EU support for Magen David membership in the ICRC and EU support for the UN Voluntary Funding for Victims of Torture. The CHR discussion concentrated on Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Belarus, Chechnya/Russia, Sudan (and the ICC), DRC, Burundi, Zimbabwe, Afghanistan, Israel, East Timor, Colombia, and Cuba. End Summary

COHOM Participants:

2. (U) The EU side was led, in their EU presidency role, by Ambassador Julien Alex, Luxembourg Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) and Anne Goedert, also from the Luxembourg MFA human rights division. Representing the European Commission

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was Rolf Timans, Head of the Human Rights Unit at DG-external relations (RELEX). From the Council Secretariat were the newly appointed Personal Representative to Hi-Rep Solana on Human Rights, Michael Matthiessen (a newly created position), Jim Cloos, Council Secretariat Director for Human Rights (and also for UN and Transatlantic Affairs), and Council human rights expert, Hadewych Hazelzet. Alex Hall Hall, the human rights director from the UK Foreign Office, represented the UK in its forthcoming Presidency role. On the US side were DRL Acting Assistant Secretary Ambassador Mike Kozak, IO/SHA Director Bill Lucas, DR/MLA Amy McKee and USEU/POL Harry OHara (note-taker).

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25. (U) DRL Kozak and IO/SHA Lucas cleared this message.

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